

love I should have stood up in that convention and said, "Brethren it is of no use to ask me, I will not go." But since the voice of duty says *go* to me I wonder what the same voice says to you. Brethren, will you help? Pastors, will you cooperate? Those who live in congregations who have not sent in your apportionment won't you begin working up the cause now? I shall not get a cent for my work and have not been promised even my car fare and you who are expecting to tell me ugly things when I come, won't you be as easy about it as you can? Don't say we can't do anything but say "By God's help we will." If you knew what it meant to refuse to pay this debt and how it would cripple us for years to come, you would pray about it some, anyhow, before you would decide to do nothing and discourage others from helping. O, so much depends upon results for the next few weeks. You are a part of the Brethren church. The church promises to stand by those brethren who were induced to mortgage their homes to get money to loan us. Shall we stand by our promises? May the Lord help you to answer yes.

G. W. RENCH.

ONE OF THE FIVE HUNDRED.

The Editor's appeal in No. 34 for five hundred new subscribers has the approval of the Secretary of the Publishing House Board. The price of the EVANGELIST was reduced in response to what appeared to be a very general demand, with the hope of greatly increasing the circulation. Thus far the Board has been disappointed as the list of subscribers is no larger now than it was a year ago at \$1.50 per year. It does not take much of a mathematician to tell the effect upon the resources of the Board when it received fifty cents less for each of over two thousand subscriptions. During the year the affairs of the Publishing House have been arranged on a basis that insures financial success. The Editor says "this appeal is not made to keep a crippled business on its feet;" that is correct; it will keep on its feet whether we get the five hundred new subscribers or not, but to be very frank with everybody, we really do need more money to carry us to the end of the year than there is in sight at present. We have faith however, which is the evidence of things not seen, and we trust that a well disposed brotherhood will give us the substance of things hoped for. This is not really an appeal, but a privilege, an opportunity for you to do a great deal of good with very little money.

None can truly feel that they belong to a great church extending from the Atlantic to the Pacific Oceans without reading

the church paper. People that do not read our paper are naturally indifferent to the interests of the church at large, hence we all do a very neat, effective piece of real mission work when we see to it that every family gets the EVANGELIST, whether we pay for it ourselves, or simply secure the subscription for it.

It is peculiarly important that our paper should get into the hand of every member of the church from this forth as it is the aim of the new General Mission Board to receive a mite from every member towards missions, home or foreign as the donors may designate. To do this it is all-important that the plans of the Board are made known to all.

Now see what we can do with one dollar, or a little effort: First, we can alleviate the Publication Board from all concern about resources to carry the business to the end of the year, and thus start the House clear at the beginning of the new year. Second, bring more of our people into fuller fellowship with every aggressive movement of the church. Third, develop an interest in missions. Fourth, aid the people to make their missionary contributions to the proper authorities at the appointed times, and last, but not least we will by this means surely be the means of bringing other souls into the kingdom, which is the all-pervading thought of every true child of God.

Now friends let us not be slow about this. As soon as this little matter is off our hands we have something else to propose which will open up new opportunities of grace which I believe all will appreciate, or all should at least.

Enclosed find my dollar Bro. Editor, I will send the name of the subscriber later when I find him.

JACOB C. CASSEL.

Sec. and Treas. B. P. B.

Notice

To the brethren and sisters of the State of Michigan: The Executive has now located, giving time and place for the Michigan State Conference, and as chairman of the program committee, will say to one and all who are interested in the Michigan Conference, if you have anything you want spread upon the program to send it to my address immediately, as the program must soon be made out to insure publication in time.

Now dear brethren and sisters, come, and let us have a rousing conference, a practical one. Let us do something and put that something into practice. Let us have the banner conference. What say you? The brethren and sisters at Troy know just how to entertain the conference. They don't do things on the halves.

Come, brethren, Calvert, Palmer, Fox, Perry, and all who can; come filled with that inspiration fresh from the altar, lately born of God, and put your best shoulder to the wheel and help your sister State out of the bush.

May the good Lord send inspiration to all and direct all of our hearts in the path of duty, and I am sure he will lead if we will follow.

WALTER CLARK.

Dowagiac, Mich.

Union Salem, Ind.

It has been quite a while since I have written, but will try and write again and tell you what we are doing here. Brother Hazlett came here August 27, and preached four sermons for us. His sermons were elevating and were highly appreciated by us all. We expect to employ Brother Hazlett as our pastor for the coming year as Brother Perry is engaged in other work. We ask the prayers of God's children everywhere that much good may be done here in the coming year.

CORA BECKNELL.

Nappanee, Ind.

Special Announcement.

To pastors and all who are coming to the Indiana State Conference, will you please drop me a card giving names of all those coming, not later than the last week of September, as it will help assign you places of lodging before you come and will avoid the rush. When you leave the train come direct to the Progressive church where the reception committee will meet you. Hacks will bring you to the church for 10 cents. Bring Gospel Hymns 5 and 6 with you.

JOHN M. FOX.

North Manchester, Ind.

Brooklyn, Iowa.

As I have been requested to write for the EVANGELIST I will endeavor to do so now. The church at this place is not what we wish it was but nevertheless there are still a few that are trying to keep the work moving along. We have Sabbath-school every Sabbath, preaching every two weeks by brother Fetter Hall, prayer meeting every Wednesday night, quite good attendance and good interest manifested. Our fall communion will be held Sept. 11, at 7:30. All are invited to attend. Come brothers and sisters, let us have a grand meeting. I have just returned from the convention at Chicago and was much pleased when the evangelist for the coming year was elected. I trust he will soon be with us and help us get straightened up and in a condition to do more and better work than we are able to do under pres-